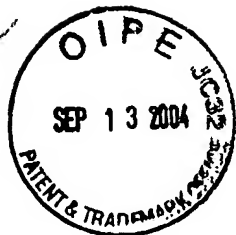


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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application please find the following:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
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No fees are believed to be due in connection with this submission; however, please charge any fees that might be due or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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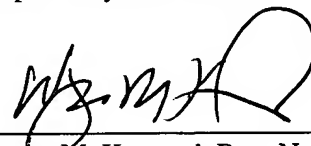
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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Forms PTO-892 with the next Patent Office communication.

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